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In re Application of Hunter, et al. Application No. 09/465,730 Filed: May 17, 2000 Attorney Docket No. 0103637-0533877

ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed on September 29, 2005 (certificate of mailing date September 27, 2005) to revive the above-identified application.

The above-identified application became abandoned for failure to reply in a timely manner to the February 28, 2005 non-final Office action which set an extendable three (3) month period for reply. No extensions of time having been obtained pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) and no reply being received in the Office, this application became abandoned on May 29, 2005. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on September 8, 2005.

Applicants have submitted an amendment in reply to the February 28, 2005 non-final Office action, an acceptable statement of the unintentional nature of the delay in responding to the February 28, 2005 non-final Office action, and the petition fee.

The statement of unintentional delay was not signed by a person who would have been in a position of knowing that the delay in filing a timely response was unintentional. In the event that practitioner has no knowledge that the delay was in fact unintentional, practitioner should make a reasonable inquiry to ascertain that, in fact, the delay was unintentional. If practitioner discovers that the delay was intentional, practitioner must so notify the Office.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

After the mailing of this decision the application will be forwarded to Technology Center 3600's technical support staff for processing the amendment filed on September 29, 2005 (certificate of mailing date September 27, 2005).

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